

REMARKS

Claims 1-53, 66-80, 90, 92-95, and 103 have been previously cancelled. Claims 81-89 and 91 have been cancelled via the current amendment. The claims remaining in the application are 54-65 and 96-102.

Claim Objections

Claim 84 has been objected to due to informalities. Claim 84 has been cancelled via the present amendment.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Office Action has rejected claims 81-89 and 91 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ramanujan et al. (6,215,547) in view of Schoon (U.S. 5,481,398). This rejection is respectfully traversed. Claims 81-89 and 91 have been cancelled via the present amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Office Action has allowed claims 54-65 and 96-102. All non-allowed claims have been cancelled.

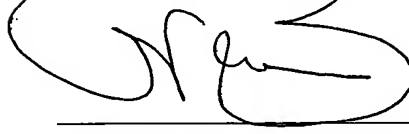
CONCLUSION

Dependent claims not specifically addressed add additional limitations to the independent claims, which have been distinguished from the prior art and are therefore also patentable.

In conclusion, none of the prior art cited by the Office Action discloses the limitations of the claims of the present invention, either individually or in combination. Therefore, it is believed that the claims are allowable.

If the Examiner is of the opinion that additional modifications to the claims are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, he is invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the number listed below for a telephone interview and Examiner's amendment.

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